## **A-12 Pit Diversion Project**

FMC Corporation (FMC) and the J.R. Simplot Company (Simplot), collectively the "Companies", are proposing to implement a surface water diversion project associated with the A-12 Pit at the Gay Mine. Water from the Upper Pond east of the headquarters area is discharging to the A-12 Pit, where stormwater flowing over mine overburden and into A-12 Pit has increased the selenium levels in the pit and may present a potential threat to livestock and wildlife. Since the water in the Upper Pond, which is fed by an up-gradient spring, is un-impacted, the Companies propose to divert this water further downgradient to the Dry Hollow Drainage.

We are analyzing alternative diversion scenarios and the current conceptual designs are illustrated in the following A-12 Pit Surface Water Diversion Alternatives site plan. In summary, two different alignments are currently being considered and include a mixture of lined and unlined open channels and gravity pipe. The Companies recognize the Tribes strong interest in retaining the storage capacity of the Upper Pond for general uses such as fire suppression and livestock watering and therefore this project will divert water downstream of the Upper Pond, rather than from a point further up the drainage.

For further details regarding this proposed project please refer to the *Work Plan for A-12 Pit Surface Water Diversion, Gay Mine Site, Fort Hall Indian Reservation, Bingham County, Idaho* prepared by Golder Associates on behalf of the Companies and submitted on February 26, 2020.

